

California Recreational Trails Plan Program Goal - Progress as of August 12, 2008	
GOAL FOR TRAIL ADVOCACY & COLLABORATION Develop and encourage expanded cooperation and collaboration among trail advocates, wildlife advocates, and cultural resource advocates to maximize resource protection, education, and trail use opportunities.	
Action	Progress to Date
1. Convene and support statewide and regional trails conferences and workshops that share current information, promote diversity, plan future actions, and recognize significant achievements. The California Trails and Greenways Conference, hosted by the California Dept. of Parks & Recreation since 1983, will continue to be the most prominent trails conference held in California.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • California State Parks (CSP) continues to host and maintain a significant sponsorship role in the California Trails & Greenways Conference (CT&GC). • Examples of local progress: Bay Area Open Space Forum, Pacific Crest Trail Trailfest
2. Develop multi-jurisdictional plans for habitat linkages. Since most wildlife corridors cover multi-jurisdictional areas, it is essential that planning discussions and activities include the land managers for the corridor region, as well as stakeholders and affected regulators.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This action is being accomplished by the natural resource community of conservancies, counties and land management agencies. • Little progress on linking the natural resource planning with trail system planning
3. Encourage trail-supplying agencies to place an emphasis on providing more day-use trail opportunities close to urban areas. Divert use away from overused trails by promoting the use of trails that are typically underutilized, especially during peak days and times.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Road & Trail Management Plan addresses trail use needs and dispersion of trail use over a determined system • Tulare County, for example, is converting an abandoned rail corridor into a Class I trail through the City of Tulare
4. Continue to provide trail design and construction training programs that include multi-agency participation in order to foster planning cooperation and widely accepted trail design standards.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The CSP Trail Training Program has been providing nationally recognized trail training for over 13 years and will continue to provide trail training opportunities to all agencies and land managers. • US Department of Transportation Federal Highways Administration has an equestrian design guidebook at: http://www.fhwa.dot.gov/environment/fspubs/07232816/toc.htm. Included is Appendix B with trail info/organization links. • Professional Trailbuilders Association has information at: http://www.trailbuilders.org/resources/

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